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C O N F I D E N T I A L DAMASCUS 2877

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: UNGA, SY, CD

SUBJ: KHMER IN 29TH UNGA & SYRIA

1. GOVERNMENT-CONTROLLED PRESS DECEMBER 3 REPORTS THAT
PRESIDENT ASAD RECEIVED MESSAGE FROM PRINCE SIHANOUK EXPRESS-
ING APPRECIATION FOR SYRIA'S SUPPORT AT UN.

2. COMMENT: CAMBODIAN QUESTION IN UNGA WAS ONE ISSUE
THIS EMBASSY WENT FORWARD ON AS PART OF NEW EFFORT TO
HOLD DISCUSSIONS WITH SARG ON UN MATTERS. ON THIS SPECIFIC
ISSUE, AMBASSADOR PRESENTED US POSITION TO ACTING
FOREIGN MINISTER RAFA'I AND POLOFF TALKED WITH AMERICAN AND UN
DESK OFFICERS. AT ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER'S REQUEST
EMBASSY ALSO SUBMITTED THIRD PERSON NOTE. WHILE WE HAVE HAD
NO FORMAL OR INFORMAL RESPONSE, SYRIAN ACTIONS AT UN AND PRESS
COVERAGE HERE INDICATE WE HAD NO SUCCESS IN MODERATING
SARG ATTITUDES. INDIRECTLY, WE HAVE RECEIVED REPORTS
THAT HARDLINE IDEOLOGUES IN SYRIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY VIEWED
OUR PRESENTATION AS FIRST ROUND IN USG EFFORT TO GET
SYRIAN TO CHANGE ITS POLICY ON WHOLE HOST OF HARD-CORE
THIRD-WORLD ISSUES, I.E., SOUTH AFRICA, NAMIBIA, VIETNAM, ETC.

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UP AGAINST IN DEALING IN DAMASCUS WITH QUESTIONS OF

THIS NATURE. WE PLAN NONETHELESS PRESENT DEPUTY
FONMIN RAFA'I WITH COPY OF LON NOL'S ELOQUENT
STATEMENT (STATE 263970).
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